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**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR
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I believe that I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if multiple names are listed below) of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: _____ the specification of which

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